2021 Special Awards Candidate Bio Form

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Name of Nominee: *
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Facility Employed at: *
Michigan Section PGA
Year Elected to Membership: *
2002
Award Nominated for: *
Golf Executive of the Year

Briefly describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award: *

Throughout my career at the Michigan PGA Section and especially the past 11 years as the Director of Tournament Operations it has been my goal not only to operate but to continue to elevate the Michigan PGA Tournament program to one where PGA Members can enjoy and be proud of. I can honestly say that I feel we have one of the best Section Tournament programs in the country.

This past 2020 season was one that I am personally most proud of. It was truly remarkable how everyone from our officers and committees to our staff and host sites came together to put together the adjusted schedule and run the events at the high level we are accustomed to in these challenging circumstances. This unusual season was capped off with the rescheduling and running of the Turtle Creek Casino Michigan Open Championship with the largest purse in its history.

A few of the things I have had the opportunity to do accomplish in this position with the Michigan PGA:

- I have demonstrated high level budget, planning and organizational skills managing the Section Cooperation, Foundation and Association activities as well as the ability to obtain, manage and activate the Section Tournament Sponsor program of over \$300,000 each year.
- I have had the opportunity to hire and train over 20 interns with the Michigan PGA to help them advance their careers.
- I have attended 4 USGA / PGA Rules Workshops and have become certified allowing me to help train and educate others on the Rules of Golf and Course set up, marking, etc..
- I have helped develop education programs for PGA Members including the first Michigan PGA Teaching & Coaching Summit in 2009.
- I have presented at Ferris State University to help educate PGM students on Tournament administration.
- I have organized, assisted and helped lead the tournament committee each year to help make policies, decisions and improvements to better the Michigan PGA Tournament program.

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